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2024 Candidate Questionnaire

CANDIDATE NAME: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

Candidate Website: _____

Office sought: ☐ Senate ☐ House District #: _____ Party: _____ City/Town: _____

Occupation: _____

Any Elected Office(s) held: _____

Name any REALTORS® you personally know: _____

Are you a real estate licensee? ☐ Yes ☐ No Are you a Landlord? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Please limit your responses to the amount of space provided.

1. **Conveyance Taxes:** Conveyance taxes are fees paid by the seller at the time of transfer of real estate, basically a sales tax on home sales. There have been efforts to expand the seller's conveyance tax and/or to create a new buyers's conveyance tax. These are regressive taxes that impact housing affordability.

Do you OPPOSE new and/or expanded conveyance taxes? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Comments, if any:

2. **Zoning and Affordable Housing:** Connecticut's housing market has seen significant changes since the pandemic. Increased prices have put housing out of reach for many first-time buyers. There are many proposals to address the lack of affordable housing, including those which would remove some local control over zoning decisions. **Which point best reflects your opinion?**

- ☐ Connecticut is a home rule state and zoning decisions should be left to the municipalities
☐ The state should implement certain zoning mandates to expand options for building more local properties

Comments, if any:

3. **Real Estate Property Taxes:** Connecticut's real estate property taxes can make keeping a home cost prohibitive. CTR supports reductions in property taxes and opposes efforts to add additional property taxes including proposals for a statewide property tax.

Do you OPPOSE increases to property tax burdens, including a new statewide property tax?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Comments, if any:

4. **“Mansion” Taxes:** There are additional seller's conveyance taxes levied on the portion of a home higher than a certain amount. In high cost areas, these can make a starter home less affordable.

Do you OPPOSE “mansion” taxes? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Comments, if any:

5. **End of Lease Term:** The current process allows landlords the ability to remove a tenant after a lease agreement contractually ends, known as "lapse of time". A past legislative proposal would not have allowed lapse of time of a lease to be a reason a landlord could require a tenant to leave.

Do you OPPOSE removal of lapse of time as a reason for eviction? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Comments, if any:

6. **Legislative Priorities:** If elected, what are your three top legislative priorities?

a) _____
b) _____
c) _____

To be considered for an endorsement, return this completed survey no later than September 6, 2024 to:

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